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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. Applicants note that the subject application is a divisional of USSN 09/130,972 in which there is an outstanding Office Action mailed July 28, 2000. In order to keep co-pendency, a copy of the petition for extension of time in the noted parent application is being submitted herewith as a separate document.

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At page 1, line 1, please delete "This filing" and substitute therewith:

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